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## MISSOURI WEEKLY FEEDER CATTLE WEIGHTED AVERAGE REPORT

Receipts 21,349; Week ago 26,578; Year ago 16,088  
 Medium and Large 1 (Medium Flesh)

Fdr. STEERS:		Fdr. HEIFERS:		Hols. STEERS	
358 lbs.	154.86	359 lbs.	137.17	359lbs.	118.68
451 lbs.	144.12	450 lbs.	129.67	450 lbs.	108.34
548 lbs.	134.23	542 lbs.	123.56	554 lbs.	104.32
654 lbs.	130.45	648 lbs.	117.39	666 lbs.	96.19
754 lbs.	123.60	735 lbs.	116.23	749 lbs.	93.13
832 lbs.	119.11	842 lbs.	108.15		
923 lbs.	112.84				

## SOUTHERN MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY (West Plains, Gainesville)

Receipts: 3690; Week ago 4912; Year ago 3861  
 Compared to last week, steers and heifers steady, Slaughter cows steady to 1.00 higher and bulls steady.

STEERS:		HEIFERS:	
Medium and Large 1		Medium and Large 1	
300-400 lbs.	150.00-165.00	300-400 lbs.	129.00-136.00
400-500 lbs.	134.00-153.00	400-500 lbs.	122.00-129.00
500-600 lbs.	126.00-138.50	500-600 lbs.	114.50-126.00
600-700 lbs.	124.00-130.00	600-700 lbs.	112.00-115.50
700-800 lbs.	109.50-112.00	700-800 lbs.	Scarce
800-900 lbs.	Scarce	800-900 lbs.	Scarce

Large 3 Holsteins		SLAUGHTER COWS:
Pkg 368 lbs.	113.50	Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 47.00-54.00, high dressing 51.50-56.50. Lean (85-90%) 42.00-48.00, low dressing 34.00-41.00.
550-600 lbs.	102.50	
690-790 lbs.	91.00-92.50	

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield Grade 1-2, 1185-2150 lbs 58.00-65.00, high dressing 65.00-67.50 low dressing 50.00-57.50

**COW & CALF PAIRS:** Medium and Large 1-2 2-7 yrs 1000-1250 lbs with baby to 250 lbs calves 870.00-960.00, few back in 1st 1000.00-1050.00 per pair.

**REPLACEMENT COWS:** Medium and Large 1-2, 3 to 7 yrs 1000-1500 lbs, 3rd stage 750.00-880.00 per head, several lots mostly 4-6 years black 950.00-1060.00; 2nd stage, 740.00-820.00, several more attractive 850.00-990.00; 1st stage 700.00-800.00, 14 hd reg blk angus 910.00 per head.

## SOUTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY (Joplin and Springfield)

Feeder Cattle Receipts 8200; week ago 9225; year ago 7220  
 Cow and Bull Receipts 1000; week ago 2052; year ago 625  
 Compared to last week, all steers and heifers under 600 lbs 3.00 to 5.00 higher, over 600 lbs steady to weak. Slaughter cows 1.00 to 2.00 higher, Bulls steady to 1.00 higher.

STEERS:		HEIFERS:	
Medium and Large 1 & 1-2		Medium and Large 1&1-2	
300-400 lbs.	138.00-162.50	300-400 lbs.	130.00-155.00
400-500 lbs.	126.00-144.50	400-500 lbs.	117.00-133.00
500-600 lbs.	116.50-137.00	500-600 lbs.	110.00-122.00
600-700 lbs.	109.00-126.00	600-700 lbs.	106.50-115.00
700-800 lbs.	110.50-121.00	700-800 lbs.	99.00-108.50
800-900 lbs.	Scarce	800-900 lbs.	Scarce

HOLSTEINS:	SLAUGHTER COWS:
Large Frame 3	Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 48.00-57.00, high dressing 54.50-61.00 Lean (85-90%) 44.00-48.00, low dressing 34.50-44.50
200-300 lbs.	123.00-128.00
300-400 lbs.	110.00-123.00
400-500 lbs.	100.00-119.00
500-600 lbs.	104.00-110.00
600-700 lbs.	92.00-101.00
700-800 lbs.	94.50-97.00
900-1000 lbs.	Scarce

**REPLACEMENT COWS:** Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to ss, 1100-1345 lbs, 2nd and 3rd stage 725.00-925.00, several blacks, blk/whiteface, 950.00-1000.00 per head.

**COW & CALF PAIRS:** Medium and Large 1-2, 2 to 6 yrs 975-1250 lbs. with baby to 300 lb calves, some rebred 975.00-1175.00 per pair.

## NORTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY (St. Joe, Maryville)

Receipts: 2690, Week ago 977, Year ago 370  
 Compared to last week steers and heifers 3.00 to 5.00 higher. Slaughter cows steady to 1.00 higher, slaughter bulls steady.

FEEDER STEERS:		FEEDER HEIFERS:	
Medium and Large 1		Medium and Large 1	
400-500 lbs.	143.75-161.00	300-400 lbs.	145.00-146.00
500-600 lbs.	136.00-145.00	400-500 lbs.	129.00-145.00
600-700 lbs.	128.75-143.00	500-600 lbs.	123.00-136.50
700-800 lbs.	120.00-129.25	600-700 lbs.	118.75-126.50
800-900 lbs.	113.00-121.00	700-800 lbs.	113.00-118.60
900-1000 lbs.	Pkg 111.00	800-900 lbs.	111.00-11.75

**REPLACEMENT COWS:** Medium and Large 1-2, Young 1100-1585 lbs 2nd and 3rd stage 53.00-58.00 per cwt, middle aged 49.75-51.25, older 49.50-50.00.

**COW & CALF PAIRS:** Medium and Large 1, Young 1000-1350 lbs with 250-400 lb calves 1350.00-1595.00 per pair.

**SLAUGHTER COWS:** Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 48.00-53.00, high dressing 53.00-54.50, Lean (85-90%) 41.00-48.00, high dressing 47.00-51.25.

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield Grade 1-2, 1520-2095 lbs. 58.00-62.00, high dressing 64.00-66.00.

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**WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Sedalia, Kingsville, Passaic)

Receipts 2891; Week ago 3433; Year ago 1097

Compared to last week feeder steers and heifers firm to 9.00 higher. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 higher5.

**FEEDER STEERS:**

Medium and Large 1&amp; 1-2

300-400 lbs. 138.00-168.00  
 400-500 lbs. 130.00-150.50  
 500-600 lbs. 122.00-141.50  
 600-700 lbs. 114.50-133.50  
 700-800 lbs. 113.00-123.75  
 800-900 lbs. 112.50-113.85

**FEEDER HEIFERS:**

Medium and Large 1 &amp; 1-2

300-400 lbs. 125.00-145.00  
 400-500 lbs. 118.00-139.50  
 500-600 lbs. 110.00-125.75  
 600-700 lbs. 108.00-122.25  
 700-800 lbs. 107.00-111.50  
 800-900 lbs. Pkg 111.50

**REPLACEMENT COWS:**

Medium and Large 1-2, 3 yrs to ss, 1100-1775 lbs, 2nd to 3rd stage 750.00-900.00 per head.

**SLAUGHTER COWS:**

Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 45.00-53.50, High dressing 50.00-59.00, Lean (85-90%) 44.00-49.00, Low dressing 38.00-43.00.

**COW & CALF PAIRS:** Medium and Large 1-2, 4 yrs to ss, 950-1500 lbs with baby-300 lb calves, 920.00-1075.00 per pair.

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:**

Yield Grade 1-2, 1030-2510 lbs 58.00-64.25, high dressing 66.75-68.25, low dressing 48.00-57.25.

**EAST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Bowling Green, Kingdom City, Boonville)

Receipts: 5386, Week ago 3276, Year ago 4477

Compared to last week feeders steady to 2.00 higher. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 higher.

**FEEDER STEERS:**

Medium and Large 1&amp; 1-2

300-400 lbs. 144.00-179.00  
 400-500 lbs. 132.00-151.00  
 500-600 lbs. 125.00-141.70  
 600-700 lbs. 123.00-137.00  
 700-800 lbs. 115.25-126.80  
 800-900 lbs. 111.00-117.80

**FEEDER HEIFERS:**

Medium and Large 1 &amp; 1-2

300-400 lbs. 127.00-146.50  
 400-500 lbs. 122.00-145.50  
 500-600 lbs. 117.00-131.75  
 600-700 lbs. 113.50-124.50  
 700-800 lbs. 107.00-114.50  
 800-875 lbs. 104.00-108.25

**SLAUGHTER STEERS:** Pkg. Choice 2-3 Scarce

**SLAUGHTER COWS:** Breaking, Boning, and Lean (70-90% lean) 43.00-53.00, high dressing 50.00-56.50, low dressing 35.00-45.00.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:** High Select and Choice 2-3 84.50

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield Grade 1-2, 1300-2300 lbs, 55.00-62.00, high dressing 62.50-65.00.

**NORTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Palmyra, Green City, New Cambria, Macon)

Feeder Cattle Receipts 3053; week ago 1579; year ago 2373

Slaughter Cattle Receipts 140; week ago 189; year ago 120

Feeder steers and heifers under 600 lbs steady to firm, over 600 lbs steady to 2.00 higher. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 higher, Slaughter steers and heifers from two weeks ago.

**FEEDER STEERS:**

Medium and Large 1

300-400 lbs. 150.00-157.00  
 400-500 lbs. 143.50-160.50  
 500-600 lbs. 131.00-144.50  
 600-700 lbs. 127.00-143.75  
 700-800 lbs. 121.75-128.50  
 800-900 lbs. 116.25-125.30  
 900-950 lbs. 112.60-113.70

**FEEDER HEIFERS:**

Medium and Large 1&amp;1-2

300-400 lbs. 140.00-142.00  
 400-500 lbs. 129.00-145.50  
 500-600 lbs. 131.00-134.00  
 600-700 lbs. 116.00-128.75  
 700-800 lbs. 110.60-118.50  
 800-900 lbs. 106.50-113.90

**SLAUGHTER STEERS:**

Choice 2-3 1050-1400 lbs. 86.00-88.00

**SLAUGHTER COWS:** Breaking and Boning (75-85% lean) 48.50-55.50, low dressing 43.50-49.00.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:**

Choice 2-3 1000-1300 lbs. 83.50-85.00.

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:**

Yield Grade 1-2, 1350-2350 lbs. 60.00-66.25.

**COW & CALF PAIRS:** Medium and Large 1-2, 2 to 7 yrs 900-1200 lbs with baby to 300 lbs calves 1200.00-1400.00 per pair.

**REPLACEMENT COWS:**

Medium and Large 1-2, 3 to 7 yrs 1200-1500 lbs 3rd stage 1220.00-1310.00 per head.

**SOUTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Fruitland, Patton)

Receipts 348; Week ago 1418; Year ago 313

Compared to last week, steers and heifers under 500 lbs 2.00 to 4.00 higher, over 500 lbs 2.00 to 6.00 lower. Slaughter cows and bulls 1.00 higher.

**FEEDER STEERS:**

Medium and Large 1-2

200-300 lbs. 160.00-170.00  
 300-400 lbs. 126.00-149.00  
 400-500 lbs. 125.00-136.50  
 500-600 lbs. 115.00-128.00  
 600-700 lbs. 107.00-121.00

**FEEDER HEIFERS:**

Medium and Large 1-2

275-300 lbs. 141.00-166.00  
 300-400 lbs. 125.00-134.00  
 400-500 lbs. 112.00-125.00  
 500-600 lbs. 110.00-113.00  
 600-700 lbs. 110.00-112.50

**REPLACEMENT COWS:**

Medium and Large 1-2, 8 yrs-ss, 945-1265 lbs, 2nd-3rd stage 565.00-665.00 per head.

**SLAUGHTER COWS:**

Breaking and boning (75-85% lean) 45.50-50.75; high dressing 50.50-54.00. Lean scarce.

**COW & CALF PAIRS:**

Medium and Large 1-2, Scarce

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:**

Yield Grade 1-2, 1330-1980 lbs, 55.00-58.05, high dressing 60.00-62.00.

**SOUTH CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY**

(Cuba, Vienna)

Receipts: 2298, Week ago 2676, Year ago 1764

Compared to last week steers and heifers steady to 2.00 higher. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 higher.

**FEEDER STEERS:**

Medium and Large 1 &amp; 1-2

300-400 lbs. 147.00-157.00  
 400-500 lbs. 134.00-153.00  
 500-600 lbs. 123.50-138.50  
 600-700 lbs. 122.25-130.50  
 700-800 lbs. Scarce

**FEEDER HEIFERS:**

Medium and Large 1 &amp; 1-2

300-400 lbs. 131.00-146.00  
 400-500 lbs. 122.00-139.75  
 500-600 lbs. 115.50-127.00  
 600-700 lbs. 110.00-116.75  
 700-800 lbs. Scarce

**REPLACEMENT COWS:**

Medium and Large 1, Scarce

**SLAUGHTER COWS:**

Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 48.00-54.00, high dressing 51.00-57.25, Lean (85-90%) 42.00-49.00.

**COW & CALF PAIRS:** Medium and Large 1-2, Scarce

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield Grade 1-2, 1400-2000 lbs. 57.00-63.00, low dressing 55.00-56.50.

**MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT  
SLAUGHTER CATTLE REPORT**

Weekly Receipts 400; Week ago 400; Year ago 400

Compared to last week, trade inactive as of 8:00 am Friday, No confirmed live sales and dressed sales on grid basis poorly tested. Demand and seller interest moderate.

**STEERS:** Few 60% Choice 1250 lbs 91.50 late last Friday.

**STEERS AND HEIFERS:**

Carcass sales: no sales reported

HEIFERS: No sales

**INTERIOR MISSOURI DIRECT HOGS**

Weekly Receipts 10,130, Week ago 9669; Year ago 5902

Compared to last weeks close barrows and gilts steady to 1.00 higher. Sows steady.

**BARROWS AND GILTS:**

Base carcass meat price 63.00-64.00. Weekly top Friday 64.00

**SOWS:**300-500 lbs 32.00-35.00  
Over 500 lbs 36.00-38.00

# MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT WEANER AND FEEDER PIG REPORT

Receipts: 10,414  
Compared to last week, weaner pigs steady to firm and feeder pigs not tested. Supply and Demand Moderate.  
All pig prices based on a delivered basis including freight and fees.

Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights  
Delivered 90% formulated  
10,414 head 10 lbs 32.75-36.17, weighted average 10 lbs 34.27

Feeder pigs 40-50 base weights  
Delivered 0 % formulated  
None reported

## MIDWEST SHEEP REVIEW

Slaughter Receipts: 43,000; Week ago 49,000; Year ago 45,000

Slaughter Lambs 2.00 to 4.00  
higher

Slaughter Ewes Steady

Feeder Lambs Steady

Slaughter Ewes: Utility and Good  
1-3 25.00-35.00, Cull 1 20.00-  
25.00.

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and  
Prime 2-3 woolled 110-125 90.00-  
92.00, 125-140 lbs 92.00-95.00,  
Shorn 130-140 lbs 96.00.

Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large  
1-2 50-70 lbs 95.00-105.00, 70-90  
lbs 85.00-95.00.

## Missouri Weekly Hay Summary

Grass is starting to green up in many areas of the state now although growth is slow many are glad to see it., however there are still some areas that aren't expecting near enough growth to help out after the long dry summer. Most trucks are staying very busy and struggling to find enough hay to move that will com out on paper despite a slight drop in fuel prices. Hay supply moderate to light, and demand good. Prices steady to firm. The Missouri Department of Agriculture has a hay hotline available for buyers and sellers. To be listed, or for a directory, call 1-800-877-4HAY(4429).(All prices per ton unless specified) Supreme quality Alfalfa (RFV>185) 135.00-160.00 premium quality Alfalfa(RFV170-180) 100.00-125.00 Fair to Good quality Alfalfa(RFV130-170) Round bales 40.00-80.00 Small, Big squares 70.00-110.00 Good quality mixed Alfalfa and grass small square bales 3.00-4.50 per bale, 30.00-60.00 per large round bale Good to Premium quality Prairie hay small squares 80.00-100.00, Fair to good quality Prairie hay 40.00-70.00, Premium Quality Brome large Squares 90.00-100.00 Good quality Brome 40.00-70.00 Fair quality Brome and mixed with grass round bales 15.00-35.00 per bale Good quality Timothy Hay 3.00-4.50 per small square bale, Good quality Mixed Grass hay 25.00-45.00 per round bale Fair quality large round bales Fescue 15.00-30.00 per bale Wheat hay 50.00-70.00 Wheat straw 1.75-3.00 per small bale. Corn stalks 20.00 per large round bale.

## Dairy Cattle Sales

Dairy Cattle Receipts 705, (Springfield 8/22/06)

Springer Heifers: Supreme 1700.00-1950.00, regtr ind 2200.00, Approved 1600.00-1700.00, Medium 1125.00-1485.00, Bred 4-6 months: Supreme 1700.00-1860.00, Approved 1540.00-1675.00. Open Heifers: Approved lot 6 head 806 lbs 1280.00, 600-700 lbs 1100.00-1150.00, 500-600 lbs 900.00-1100.00 400-500 lbs 860.00-970.00, 300-400 lbs 920.00-930.00. Baby Calves: Holstein Heifers 375.00-460.00, small 290.00-350.00, Holstein Bulls 125.00-195.00, Jersey Heifers 350.00-360.00.

## WEEKLY LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

	CATTLE	HOGS	SHEEP
Week to date	591,000	1,884,000	43,000
Last week	680,000	2,045,000	49,000
Last Year	578,000	1,839,000	45,000
2006 yr. to date	22,941,000	69,539,000	1,744,000
2005 yr. to date	22,076,000	69,184,000	1,750,000

## WHOLESALE FEEDSTUFFS PRICES (DOLLARS PER TON-BULK BASIS)

Area	Soybean Meal 48% Solvent	Cottonseed Meal 41% Solvent	Meat Meal	Wheat Middlings
Kansas City	156.90	167.25	131.50	71.50
St. Louis	171.00	151.50	162.00	60.50

## WEEKLY COMMODITY GRAIN FUTURES TRENDS

Compared to last Friday: Soybeans .01 to .03 lower, Wheat .01 to .05 lower, Corn .01 to .03 higher except July .01 lower, KC Wheat .02 to .06 lower, Soybean meal 1.30 to 3.40 lower.

### Daily Grain Futures Closes

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
Soybeans					
Sep	Holiday	541 1/4	534	538.1/2	537
Nov		554 1/4	546 3/4	550	548
Jan		567 1/4	559 3/4	563 1/4	561 3/4
Mar		578 1/2	571 3/4	575	573 1/4
May		590 1/4	582 1/2	585 1/2	584
Wheat					
Sep	Holiday	404	399	403 1/2	400
Dec		422	417	420 1/4	415 1/2
Mar		438 3/4	435 1/4	437 3/4	434
May		448	443 1/2	446 1/2	441
Jul		453 1/4	447 1/2	451 1/4	447 1/4
Corn					
Sep	Holiday	228 3/4	226 1/4	230 3/4	231 3/4
Dec		244 1/4	240 3/4	245 3/4	246
Mar		259	255 1/2	259 3/4	260
May		268 1/2	264 3/4	268 1/4	268 1/4
Jul		277 1/2	273 3/4	277	276 1/2
KC Wheat					
Sep	Holiday	468	465	469	466
Dec		483 1/2	477 1/2	484	480 1/4
Mar		490	484	491 3/4	487 1/4
May		483	476 1/2	482	477
Jul		464	460 1/2	464	462 1/2
SB Meal					
Aug	Holiday	160.30	158 .60	159.60	157.80
Sep		161.40	159.20	160.50	158.70
Oct		164.60	161.60	163.20	160.80
Dec		165.70	162.70	164.30	162.60
Jan		168.50	165.50	167.00	165.10

## WEEKLY COMMODITY FUTURES TREND

Compared to last Friday: Live Cattle .45 to 1.05 lower, except Apr .58 higher, Lean Hogs nearby unch to .42 higher, others .08 to .48 lower, Pork Bellies unch to 1.55 lower, Feeder Cattle 1.18 to 2.02 higher.

### Daily Futures Closes

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Cattle					
Oct	Holiday	94.52	94.45	93.75	92.30
Dec		93.85	93.85	93.00	92.17
Feb		92.85	92.95	92.52	92.00
Apr		91.57	91.95	91.97	91.55
Jun		87.40	87.85	87.97	87.72
Lean Hogs					
Oct	Holiday	68.07	67.82	67.07	66.55
Dec		65.45	65.15	64.67	64.77
Feb		65.60	65.05	64.75	64.30
Apr		64.77	64.30	63.85	63.27
May		67.42	67.20	66.90	66.62
Prk Bel					
Feb	Holiday	93.17	90.85	91.30	91.52
Mar		92.50	90.10	90.10	90.45
May		94.00	92.75	93.40	93.40
Jul		_____	_____	_____	_____
Aug		_____	_____	_____	_____
Fdr Cat					
Sep	Holiday	117.67	118.97	119.22	118.75
Oct		117.95	119.10	118.87	118.22
Nov		117.87	119.12	119.07	118.25
Jan		114.55	115.37	115.40	114.55
Mar		110.50	111.60	111.50	110.30
Milk					
Sep	Holiday	12.40	12.40	12.36	12.18
Oct		12.66	12.65	12.63	12.29
Nov		12.56	12.53	12.51	12.28

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#### MISSOURI GRAIN WEEKLY TRENDS

Soybeans .03 lower to .06 higher  
Wheat unchanged  
Corn unchanged to .21 higher  
Grain Sorghum .01 higher

#### Weekly Missouri Selected Cash Grain Bids

Area	#1 Soy-bean	#2 Soft Wheat	#2 Corn	#2 Grain Sorghum
<u>Kansas City</u>				
Monday	Holiday			
Tuesday	5.18	3.24	2.13	3.73
Wednesday	5.18	3.28	2.10	3.68
Thursday	5.18	3.34	2.15-2.16	3.77
Friday	5.18	3.30	2.15-2.16	3.77
<u>St. Louis</u>				
Monday	Holiday			
Tuesday	5.38-5.43	3.72	2.35-2.40	4.53
Wednesday	5.31-5.37	3.68	2.37-2.38	4.48
Thursday	5.39-5.43	3.70	2.38-2.43	4.57
Friday	5.37-5.40	3.70	2.41-2.42	4.57
<u>Central</u>				
Monday	Holiday			
Tuesday	4.92-4.99	3.22-3.49	2.11-2.15	3.41-3.57
Wednesday	4.86-4.92	3.20-3.44	2.08-2.11	3.35-3.57
Thursday	4.90-4.95	3.38-3.49	2.11-2.13	3.44
Friday	4.88-4.93	3.23-3.45	2.13-2.15	3.44-3.57
<u>S.E. MO</u>				
Monday	Holiday			
Tuesday	5.30-5.41	3.68-3.72	2.27-2.37	4.30-4.53
Wednesday	5.30-5.37	3.65-3.74	2.30-2.37	4.28-4.48
Thursday	5.39-5.42	3.72-3.92	2.35-2.41	4.37-4.57
Friday	5.35-5.38	3.67-3.90	2.31-2.41	4.48-4.57

(PRICES PER BU. EXCEPT GR. SORG. PER CWT)  
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#### Weekly Crop Report

Row crop and pasture conditions held steady or showed slight improvement in nearly every area of the State. However, pastures and soybeans are struggling in the west-central and southwest districts, which are still very short on moisture. Statewide, topsoil moisture supplies showed a modest decline from last week to 21 percent very short, 31 percent short, 45 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Most of the State remains short to very short in subsoil moisture supplies, which rate 33 percent very short, 36 percent short, and 31 percent adequate. The southwest district has the poorest rating with 90 percent very short, followed by the west-central at 62 percent very short. **Field Crops Report:** Ninety-six percent of the **corn** crop is dented, which is 5 days ahead of last year and 10 days ahead of normal. Sixty-eight percent is mature, 1 day ahead of last year and 6 days ahead of the 5-year average of 56 percent. Harvest is 21 percent complete, about 4 to 5 days ahead of both last year and normal. Pockets of drought-damaged corn have been harvested quickly to prevent further losses from stalk deterioration. However, the bulk of the crop is still too wet to harvest, as dry-down has been slowed by cool, wet weather. Corn condition improved somewhat from last week to 5 percent very poor, 13 percent poor, 31 percent fair, 45 percent good, and 6 percent excellent, although little change is expected hereafter as the crop nears maturity. **Soybeans** turning color is at 20 percent, 3 days behind last year and slightly behind normal. Five percent are dropping leaves, about even with both last year and normal. Condition of the bean crop rates 6 percent very poor, 19 percent poor, 34 percent fair, 36 percent good, and 5 percent excellent, 9 points better in good to excellent than last year at this time. Eighty-three percent of the sorghum crop is turning color, 1 day ahead of last year and 5 days ahead of normal. **Sorghum** mature is at 31 percent, about the same as last year but slightly ahead of the average pace. Five percent of the sorghum crop is harvested, with most of the activity in the west-central and southwest districts. Sorghum condition is rated 1 percent very poor, 10 percent poor, 40 percent fair, 44 percent good, and 5 percent excellent. **Rice** harvest is 4 percent complete, slightly ahead of last year and normal. Rice condition is rated 2 percent poor, 10 percent fair, 57 percent good, and 31 percent excellent.